FACTS AND FIGURES

DAM

STRUCTURAL HEIGHT: 102 feet

CREST LENGTH: 2,369

TYPE: Compacted earth-fill

SPILLWAY: Controlled, ogee crest principle spillway with concrete drop structure in left abutment; fuse plug emergency spillway

OUTLET WORKS: 6-foot horseshoe-shaped 630 foot-long concrete outlet, with two 50-inch diameter gate valves

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WATER: 28,230 acre-feet at full pool or 1,078 surface acres at normal pool

SHORELINE: appx. 8 miles

LENGTH: 2.5 miles

WIDEST POINT: .6 mile

LAND: 309 acres

ELEVATION: 4,252 feet

GPS COORDINATES: 45.441 - 109.228

Surrounding lands adjacent to the park are managed by the Water Resources Division of DNRC, (406) 444-6601.

Cooney State Park is administered by the Parks Division of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks. Visit our Web site at **fwp.mt.gov/parks**

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COONEY STATE PARK

SITE MAP AND RULES & REGULATIONS





WELCOME

Nestled in the Beartooth foothills of south-central Montana, Cooney State Park has become one of the most visited water-based recreation areas in the state. Part of the park's success can be attributed to its proximity to the Billings area, which is a mere 40-minute drive. Another reason is the phenomenal trout and walleye fishing that draws anglers from both near and far. Whether you enjoy fishing, boating or jet skiing, swimming, camping, or just to get out for some relaxation, Cooney may become one of your favorite destinations too!

ATTRACTIONS

Cooney is located just 20 miles north of Red Lodge, Montana, a gateway community to the spectacular Beartooth Mountains and Yellowstone National Park. Fishing is a yearround attraction at Cooney, with ice fishing being popular during the winter season and many a happy angler bringing home a nice catch of rainbow trout for dinner. Wildlife viewing is best during the off-season when there is an abundance of deer, antelope, and pheasant to be found in and around the park. Geese, ducks, pelicans, osprey and other migratory birds also frequent Cooney during various times of the year.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Literally hundreds of species of birds have been identified within the park boundaries, and weekend birding walks are held regularly throughout the summer months. A stargazing program is popular with visitors of all age groups who wish to learn more about the night sky as viewed from the remoteness of the park.





PARK RULES

- Discharge of weapons and fireworks is prohibited.
- All pets must be kept on a leash. Pets are not permitted in restrooms or in Marshall Cove Campground. All pet waste must be properly disposed of. Livestock, including horses, are prohibited.
- Obey all posted speed limits. Motor vehicles must be operated in accordance with Montana vehicle codes and stay on authorized roads and parking areas. Winter access to the lake is via boat ramps or on routes designated by signs.
- Camp only in designated campsites and occupy the site nightly. Limit stay to 7 consecutive days in any 30-day period. Maximum of 8 people per campsite. Pay camping fee immediately upon entering campground. Group use by more than 30 people requires a special use permit.
- Build fires only in designated fire-rings or grills and do not leave your fire unattended. Extinguish your fire prior to departing the area.
- Do not cut trees or shrubs, or damage, remove or deface any property. Removal or disturbance of topsoil, including holes dug by pets, is prohibited.
- Quiet hours are 10 PM to 7 AM. Portable generators may not be run during these hours.
- Disorderly conduct, drunkenness, profane language, fighting, indecent exposure, or operation of a vehicle in a manner as to create a nuisance is prohibited.
- Lands and waters shall not be littered or polluted in any manner.
- Lands shall not be used for commercial purposes without permission. No commercial or political signs shall be posted.
- Boats must be launched only at established boat ramps.
- On Cooney Reservoir, do not disturb buoys and obey no-wake speed within 200 feet of a dock, swimmer, swimming raft, non-motorized boat or anchored vessel.
- A complete list of rules and regulations is available from park staff.

PARK FEES

Day use is free for all residents entering the park in Montana vehicles with a paid state park vehicle registration fee.



Non-residents must obtain a daily permit, which is available at any park information kiosk, or they may purchase an annual State Park Passport from park staff. Camping permits are available at all campground entrance kiosks. There is an additional charge for RV electrical hook-ups, and camping is limited to a maximum of 7 consecutive days. Off-season campers receive discounted rates.

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